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MEMORANDUM

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To: File

From: Randy Lyman, Pretreatment Coordinator

Subject: Trouble Call-Gas? or gasoline? in sewer complaint?

Date: June 15, 2000 (8:09am)

Re: 609 W. Tracy

CC: Ed Malter, Bob Schaefer, Bill Knuckles, Pretreatment Inspectors



When I was at home at about midnight last night after the NBA game, my wife said the Service Center had called earlier requesting someone to respond to a gas or gasoline odor in the sewer. She informed them that I was not available and gave them Ed Malter's pager number, as I have instructed my family to do in my absence. Apparently Mr. Malter called my residence shortly thereafter and she told him that she had given the Service Center Mr. Malter's number. He wanted my pager number and asked if I had my mobile phone with me. She indicated to him that she did not think I had a pager and that I don't usually carry my mobile phone unless I have been contacted and am working an emergency. When I was available, due to the very late hour, I did not call Mr. Malter back after midnight. I assumed he had contacted someone earlier in the evening to handle the complaint or he would have called my residence again. He has a card with emergency numbers and contacts.

When I arrived a work before 8:00 a.m. today I couldn't locate either Wayne, Monica, or someone to see if there was a night call work sheet from the Service Center for the complaint last night. There was no voice message from anyone on

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my voice mailbox regarding this complaint. After starting this memo I located Jackie Haynes and asked her about a possible night crew call sheet. She said a complainant had called earlier this morning and she had given the night crew call sheet to Omer Boyce's crew for them to follow up on. I asked her if someone from Pretreatment was made aware of the complaint. She indicated that it was in Gene Pabst's part of town and she believed he had responded earlier this morning, but she didn't remember the address and the cleaning crew has the call sheet. I don't know if Ed was able to contact anyone last night or not. Nobody had said anything if they had been called last night. As soon as I hear something from Gene or anyone, I'll complete this memo by providing an address for the complaint or any other important information that should be included.

June 15, 2000 (1:09am) The address for this problem was 609 W. Tracy. Gene met the owner of the home there earlier this morning and discussed the problem. Gene's findings are all documented in our files 'by address'. Apparently Ed M. did not call anyone to respond last night. The owner said the only readings or measurements taken last night were by the Fire Department and City Utilities, but we don't know what was measured or at what levels.

June 21, 2000 (10:55am) - I have received no additional information from Ed Malter regarding this incident. Gene Pabst revisited this location later last week and found nothing remaining. His information is documented in our files.

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Memo

To: File - 609 W. Tracy
From: Gene Pabst
Date: June 15, 2000
Subject: Gasoline odor in the sanitary sewer, 609 W. Tracy.

This office received a call (June 15, 2000 8:15 A.M.) from the residence at 609 W. Tracy indicating that they had a gasoline odor in their house last night. I immediately went to that location. The gentleman explained that last night they had gasoline really strong in the house. Apparently the Fire Dept. and City Utilities were out to check into the problem. City Utilities indicated that the gas odor was not natural gas but was gasoline and it was in the sanitary sewer. I told him that he might have a problem with his plumbing in his house since he had a gasoline odor in the house. He indicated that the odor was strongest in the bathroom. The odor started when they flushed the stool when they got home from work. I told him that he might want to check the seal on the stool to make sure it is was okay. I then checked the following manholes:

Wye Map	MH	LEL	Comment
Q-18 SE	23	0%	No odor - 8:50 A.M.
Q-18 SE	22	0%	No odor - 9:00 A.M.
Q-18 SE	21	0%	Gasoline odor? - 9:10 A.M.
Q-18 SE	20	4-5%	Slight gasoline odor - 9:15 A.M.
Q-18 SE	15	0-1%	Slight gasoline odor - 9:20 A.M.
Q-18 SE	16	0-1%	Slight gasoline odor - 9:25 A.M.
Q-18 NE	81	0%	Slight odor - 9:28 A.M.
Q-18 NE	79	0-1%	Slight odor - 9:32 A.M.
Q-18 NE	78	0%	Slight odor - 9:38 A.M.
Q-18 NE	77	3-4%	Slight odor - 9:59 A.M.
Q-18 NE	76	0%	No odor - 9:55 A.M.
Q-18 NE	80	0%	No odor - 10:00 A.M.
Q-18 SE	17	0%	No odor - 10:08 A.M.
Q-18 SE	14	0%	Slight odor - 10:12 A.M.
Q-18 SE	19	5-6%	Gasoline odor - 10:18 A.M.
Q-18 SE	18	0%	No odor - 10:22 A.M.

I rechecked the following manhole:

Q-18 SE	20	0%	No odor - 10:55 A.M.
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Karen Chandler and I rechecked the following manholes with these results:

Wye Map	MH	LEL	Comment
Q-18 SE	23	0%	No odor - 1:43 P.M.
Q-18 SE	22	0%	No odor - 1:45 P.M.
Q-18 SE	21	0%	No odor - 1:47 P.M.
Q-18 SE	20	0%	No odor - 1:50 P.M.
Q-18 SE	15	0%	No odor - 1:52 P.M.
Q-18 SE	16	0%	No odor - 1:55 P.M.
Q-18 NE	81	0%	No odor - 1:57 P.M.
Q-18 NE	79	0%	No odor - 1:58 P.M.
Q-18 NE	78	0%	No odor - 2:01 P.M.
Q-18 NE	77	0%	No odor - 2:03 A.M.
Q-18 NE	76	0%	No odor - 2:05 P.M.
Q-18 NE	80	0%	No odor - 2:07 P.M.
Q-18 SE	17	0%	No odor - 2:10 P.M.
Q-18 SE	14	0%	No odor - 2:15 P.M.
Q-18 SE	19	0%	No odor - 2:17 P.M.
Q-18 SE	18	0%	No odor - 2:19 P.M.

It appears that someone disposed of some gasoline in the sanitary sewer.

I will recheck a few of these manholes again tomorrow to make sure the problem has not returned.

06-16-00 I rechecked the following manholes:

Wye Map	MH	LEL	Comment
Q-18 SE	21	0%	No odor - 10:30 A.M.
Q-18 SE	20	0%	No odor - 10:32 A.M.
Q-18 SE	19	0%	No odor - 10:35 A.M.
Q-18 SE	16	0%	No odor - 10:38 A.M.
Q-19 NE	79	0%	No odor - 10:42 A.M.
Q-19 NE	77	0%	No odor - 10:45 A.M.
Q-18 SE	23	0%	No odor - 10:50 A.M.

(See Attached Maps For Manhole Locations)



